PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the credit union movement is now in its second century of service; and

WHEREAS, the credit union members throughout the world will celebrate International Credit Union Day on Thursday, October 17th, 1968; and

WHEREAS, credit unions are part of a truly international movement and members of credit unions will be observing the entire month of October as World Extension Month; and

WHEREAS, credit unions provide an invaluable means whereby people may pool their savings and assist themselves to fill their needs for credit at a low cost; and

WHEREAS, credit unions have proved an effective and versatile tool for combating usury, unfair credit practices, and encouraging thrift; and

WHEREAS, these credit unions not only promote the economic security of their members, but also strengthen democracy, encourage individual responsibility and the practice of true brotherhood and thus benefit our entire community; and

WHEREAS, the State of South Dakota now has 120 credit unions whose combined membership totals 45,000, representing a significant proportion of the citizens of South Dakota:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NILS A. BOE, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim Thursday, October 17th, 1968, as--

CREDIT UNION DAY

to be observed in South Dakota, and urge our people to give recognition at this time to the many benefits brought to them through credit unions.

AND I FURTHER PROCLAIM October as--

WORLD EXTENSION MONTH

benefits brought to men of all nations through credit unions.

AND UPON THIS OCCASION, I extend to the leaders and members of the credit unions of South Dakota my greetings, congratulations, and sincere wishes for continued success in serving their fellowmen.

> IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, Pierre, the Opital Gity, this in the Year of Our Lord, Nigeteen Hundred and Sixty-

ATTEST:

ALMA LARSON, SECRETARY OF STATE